GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4335
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RETAIL OUTLETS TO SCs/ STs
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) is sanctioning retail outlets to the candidates belonging to SCs/STs;

(b) if so, whether these outlets are set up by the HPCL at the cost of the company itself;

(c) if so, whether persons belonging to this category are compelled to purchase the land for setting up such outlets;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(e) the number of retail outlets sanctioned by the company to SCs/STs in the country since 2004 till date, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b): In terms of the guidelines of the public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs), including Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL), for the selection of dealers/distributors of petroleum products, 25% of the total retail outlets being set up are reserved for the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (SC/ST) categories. In respect of all such reserved locations, HPCL, like other OMCs, set up the retail outlet, with all basic facilities, at their own cost.

(c) & (d): Applicants belonging to in SC/ST categories are not expected to offer land, infrastructure and finance for setting up retail outlets.

(e): The number of retail outlets allotted by HPCL to SC/ST category in the country from January, 2004 to September, 2005, State/Union Territory-wise, are given in the Annex. ANNEX

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4335 FOR REPLY ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2005, REGARDING RETAIL OUTLETS TO SCs/STs.

STATE/UNION TERRITORY-WISE NUMBER OF RETAIL OUTLETS UNDER SC/ST CATEGORY ALLOTTED BY HPCL DURING JANUARY, 2004 TO SEPTEMBER, 2005

No. of allotments during January, 2004 to September, 2005

SL. NO.	STATE/UNION TERRITORY	SC	ST
1.	Andhra Pradesh	24	16
2.	Assam	2	6
3.	Bihar	1	3
4.	Chandigarh	0	0
5.	Chhattisgarh	6	7
6.	Delhi	1	0
7	Goa	0	0
8.	Gujarat	11	22
9.	Haryana	30	0
10.	Himachal Pradesh	7	1
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	2	0
12.	Jharkhand	4	5
13.	Karnataka	34	8
14.	Kerala	25	2
15.	Maharashtra	21	22
16.	Meghalaya	0	8
17.	Mizoram	0	3
18.	Madhya Pradesh	10	26
19.	Nagaland	0	2
20.	Orissa	4	7
21.	Pondicherry	3	0

22. Punjab 66 0
23. Rajasthan 24 16
24. Sikkim 0 1
25. Tamilnadu 56 3
26. Uttar Pradesh 61 5
27. Uttaranchal 12 1
28. West Bengal 14 5
Total 418 169